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Group Art Unit: **3732**

In re patent application of: **Dwyer et al.**

Examiner: **Anuradha Ramana**

Serial No. **10/791,027**

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For: **Self-Locking Modular Prosthesis**

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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment, and Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in the above-identified patent application. Also submitted herewith is a Petition for a Two (2) Month Extension of Time. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Paid For	Fee Calculation	Addit Fee
Total Claims	16	20	0 x 50	\$ 0.00
Independent Claims	2	3	0 x 200	\$ 0.00
Total Additional Fee Required				\$ 0.00

- * A check in the amount of \$1240.00 is enclosed to cover (i) the \$790.00 fee for the Request for Continued Examination (RCE); and (ii) the \$450.00 fee for the Petition for a Two (2) Month Extension of Time.
- * Please provide any further extensions of time that may be necessary and charge any fees that may be due to Deposit Account No.13-0014, but not to include any payment of issue fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed August 24, 2005 and in conjunction with Applicants' Request for Continued Examination, please enter and consider the following: